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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Tuesday, October 16, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	11/20/2012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lisa Marencin, Professional Member, President, Presiding
Valerie Cloutier, Public Member, Secretary
Roberta Burtch, Professional Member
Tonya Coats, Professional Member
Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member
Anne Pikolas, Public Member
Meredith Sullivan, Professional Member
Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF

Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Wilbert Miller, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Jacqueline Truluck, EBS Healthcare & DSHA
Kathleen White

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Marencin called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2012

The Board reviewed the minutes from the September 18, 2012 meeting. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

SLPA Committee Minutes – August 21, 2012

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 21, 2012 SLPA Committee meeting. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review Correspondence from Kathleen White Submitting Additional Evidence from Show Cause Hearing

Ms. Coats recused herself from any discussion or actions in regards to Ms. White. Ms. Heeney advised the Board that they cannot consider Ms. White's correspondence, because the Board is bound by the findings of fact. The Board can either accept or deny the conclusions of law and recommended penalties.

Review Previously Tabled Recommendation from Hearing Officer on Show Cause Hearings for Post-Renewal Compliance Audits – Kathleen White

The Board reviewed the previously tabled recommendation from the Hearing Officer. The Board discussed the recommendation at great length. Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Ms. Marencin to reject the findings, due to Occupational Therapy and the TUG course did not fulfill the Board's continuing education requirements; that Ms. White be issued a letter of reprimand; she make up the hours in which she is deficient (those hours cannot be used for the current licensure cycle); she will be selected for audit for the next two renewals; and if Ms. White does not submit documentation to the Board within 90 days, that she has completed the 2.5 hours in which she was deficient, her license will be suspended. Motion unanimously carried.

Consider Previously Tabled Consent Agreement for Case 30-01-11 Against Sherman Fong

The Board reviewed the previously tabled Consent Agreement against Sherman Fong. Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier to reject the Consent Agreement. Motion unanimously carried. The Board feels as though Mr. Fong should be suspended for at least 6 months, followed by at least a 6 month suspension with a board approved supervisor. Ms. Heeney will relay the information to the Prosecuting Deputy Attorney General.

NEW BUSINESS

Update from Tele-Practice Committee

Ms. Marencin advised the Board that the Committee met and agreed that a draft will be created based off of other states' provisions. The Committee meeting will review the draft during their November 20, 2012 meeting.

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Jessica Intintoli

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the temporary speech pathologist application for Jessica Intintoli. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Permanent Speech Language Pathologist Application – Nancy Adler

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the permanent speech pathologist application for Nancy Adler. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Permanent Speech Language Pathologist Application – Christina Connelly

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the permanent speech pathologist application for Christina Connelly. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Permanent Speech Language Pathologist Application – Marsha Debow

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the permanent speech pathologist application for Marsha Debow. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Permanent Speech Language Pathologist Application – Carolyn Garrett

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the permanent speech pathologist application for Carolyn Garrett. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Audiologist Application – Mark Miller

Ms. Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to ratify the audiologist application for Mark Miller. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Daniel Sanz Cestafe

The Board reviewed Daniel Sanz Cestafe's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Lauren Travis

The Board reviewed Lauren Travis' application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Maria DellaMonica

The Board reviewed Maria DellaMonica's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application – Laurence Devlin

The Board reviewed Laurence Devlin's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Speech Pathologist Application – Lindsay Howard

The Board reviewed Lindsay Howard's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Burtch, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Hearing Aid Dispenser Supervisory Report – Laura Ironside

The Board reviewed Laura Ironside's hearing aid dispenser supervisory report. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve Laura Ironside to sit for the National Exam proctored by the Division of Professional Regulation. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Hearing Aid Dispenser Supervisory Report – Zachary Ironside

The Board reviewed Zachary Ironside's hearing aid dispenser supervisory report. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve Zachary Ironside to sit for the National Exam proctored by the Division of Professional Regulation. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Hearing Aid Dispenser Supervisory Report – Dorothy Jones

The Board reviewed Dorothy Jones' hearing aid dispenser supervisory report. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve Dorothy Jones to sit for the National Exam proctored by the Division of Professional Regulation. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Hearing Aid Dispenser Supervisory Report – LaRonda Moore

The Board reviewed LaRonda Moore's hearing aid dispenser supervisory report. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve LaRonda Moore to sit for the National Exam proctored by the Division of Professional Regulation. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Extension of Temporary Speech Language Pathologist License – Pamela Lockhart

The Board reviewed Pamela Lockhart's request for an extension on her temporary speech language pathologist license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-

Gaskin, to grant a 90 day extension on Pamela Lockhart's temporary license. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Application – Kathleen Pollard

The Board reviewed Kathleen Pollard's application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Ms. Cloutier made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the following continuing education activity as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Sponsor: Sussex Consortium **Approved for 12 Clinical Skills, Not 13 as Requested**
Activity: PECS Basic Training
Contact Hours: 12.0 CS

Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Burtch, to approve the following continuing education activity as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Sponsor: Rehabdynamics **Approved for Professional Growth, Not Clinical Skills as Requested**
Activity: Understanding Dementia: The Basics & Beyond
Contact Hours: 6.0 PG

Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the following continuing education activities as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Licensee: Marie Oettel **Approved**
Sponsor: PESI
Activity: Self-Regulation: Effective Strategies for Children with ADHD, Autism, Learning Disabilities or Sensory Disorders
Contact Hours: 6.0 CS

Licensee: Joy Hill **Approved**
Sponsor: Camden County Community College
Activity: Autism, Anxiety & Mental Health
Contact Hours: 3 PG

Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Cloutier, to approve the following continuing education activity as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Licensee: Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas **Approved for Clinical Skills, Not Professional Growth as Requested**
Sponsor: LinguSystems
Activity: Remediating /r/
Contact Hours: 3.0 CS

Proposed 2013 Meeting Dates

The Board reviewed the proposed meeting dates for 2013. Ms. Burtch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Pikolas, to accept the proposed meeting dates. Motion unanimously carried.

Letter from James Collins Re: 147th General Assembly, 1st Legislative Session – Division's Legislative Agenda

Ms. Heeney provided the Board with a brief update regarding the proposed SLPA legislation. Deputy Director Warren provided feedback to Ms. Heeney, regarding grandfathering provisions, effective dates, and suggested that stakeholders be notified about the proposal.

Ms. Burtch suggested that it may be possible that a Board member make a presentation during an evening DHSA meeting regarding the proposed changes.

Status of Complaints

The Board was advised that complaint 30-02-11 has been closed.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Other Business before the Board

Ms. Williams advised the Board that the Council for Clinical Certification voted to approve changes to the Standards of Clinical Certification. The 2014 Standards will require applicants to have demonstrated knowledge in statistics.

Ms. Williams also informed the Board that the beta-testing period concluded on September 30, 2012 for the IHS Licensing Exam for Hearing Aid Dispensers. The new exam will be issued in a paper and pencil format.

Public Comment

Ms. Truluck addressed the Board with an inquiry regarding continuing education and if it was possible for a licensee to complete all of the required continuing education credits in the area of clinical skills only. Ms. Truluck was advised that licensees must have a minimum of 20 hours in the area of clinical skills and a maximum of 10 hours in the area of professional growth.

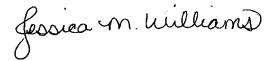
Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 20, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

Ms. Marencin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Coats, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jessica M. Williams".

Jessica Williams

Administrative Specialist II